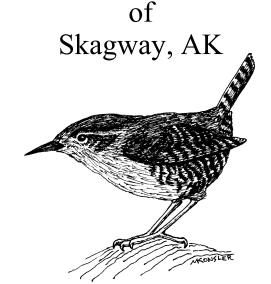


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Birds



area checklist compiled by the **Skagway Bird Club**

OBSERVERS		_
DATE	TIME	_
LOCATION		

Located at the northern tip of the Lynn Canal, the Skagway and Taiya river valleys contain varied habitats typical of the coastal temperate rainforest of Southeast Alaska. However, the Skagway area also has valleys that lead quickly to mountain passes connecting to the boreal forests of the continental interior. In addition, Skagway receives only 25 inches average annual rainfall - rather dry for a rainforest. Due to this combination of relatively dry climate and proximity to the interior, many plants and animals from both the temperate rainforest and the boreal forests can be found in the Skagway area.

The 200 bird species in this checklist have been recorded in Skagway, with 63 present in the winter. Migrations usually peak during April and September.

LOCATIONS: Please refer to the Skagway Trail Map, available for free at many locations. Many species find food and safety around town. Dyea's forests and tidal flats offer diversity and accessibility. Upper Dewey and Lost Lakes provide more remote quiet for freshwater species. Hillside trails, the Chilkoot Trail, Klondike Highway and the WP&YR railway ascend into alpine habitats.

CODES:

C = common and expected in appropriate habitat

U = uncommon, may occur in small numbers

R = rare, expected annually but easily missed

I = irregular, not seen every year (may be cyclical)

+ = considered casual or accidental

- = not recorded

* = probable breeder

** = confirmed breeder

♦ = Please document sightings of these birds, or any sightings that would change the information on this list. Documentation should include species, number seen, date, location and observers. Photographs or detailed descriptions would be appreciated. Bring documentation to the Klondike Gold Rush NHP visitor's center at Second and Broadway Streets in Skagway, or mail to: Klondike Gold Rush NHP; PO Box 517; Skagway, AK 99840.

Sp S F W

	Sp	3	Г	VV
< LOONS >				
Red-throated Loon		U	U	I
Pacific Loon ♦		I	I	I
Common Loon		-	R	I
Yellow-billed Loon ♦		-	R	R
< GREBES >				
Horned Grebe ♦		-	-	-
Red-necked Grebe		U	R	-
Western Grebe ♦	-	1	+	-
< PETRELS >				
Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel <>		1	+	+
< CORMORANTS >				
Double-crested Cormorant		+	1	-
< HERONS >				
Great Blue Heron ♦	U	U	U	+
< SWANS & GEESE >				
Canada Goose	R	-	R	-
Brant ♦		+	-	-
Greater White-fronted Goose <		-	-	-
Snow Goose		-	R	-
Trumpeter Swan		I	U	-
Tundra Swan <>		-	-	

	Sp S F	v	Sp S F
< DUCKS >		< PLOVERS >	
Mallard	C C C	American Golden-Plover <>	+ - +
Gadwall	+	Semipalmated Plover **	U R U
Eurasian Wigeon ♦		Killdeer	I I I
American Wigeon	C U C	< OTHER SHOREBIRDS >	
Blue-winged Teal	C U C	Greater Yellowlegs	CCC
Northern Shoveler	U R R	Lesser Yellowlegs	C U C
Northern Pintail	U R U	Surfbird	+
Green-winged Teal *	C U C	Hudsonian Godwit ♦	+
Canvasback		Wandering Tattler **	U R U
Redhead ♦	I	- Dunlin	I - I
Ring-necked Duck		Black Oystercatcher ♦	I
Greater Scaup		Long-billed Dowitcher ♦	- + +
Lesser Scaup ♦		Wilson's (Common) Snipe	UUU
Long-tailed Duck		Red Phalarope \diamondsuit	
Harlequin Duck *		☐ Red-necked Phalarope	R R R
Surf Scoter		Whimbrel	+
Black Scoter ♦			<u> </u>
		< GULLS & TERNS >	
White-winged Scoter ♦	0 10 10	Bonaparte's Gull	C C C
Common Goldeneye		Mew Gull	C C C
Barrow's Goldeneye		Herring Gull	C U C
Bufflehead		Thayer's Gull	+ - U
Common Merganser **		Glaucous-winged Gull	C C C
Hooded Merganser <>		Glaucous Gull <	R - +
Red-breasted Merganser	U R R	Ring-billed Gull ♦	+ - +
<raptors></raptors>		Herring x Glaucwing gull hybrid	+ - +
Northern Harrier	0 0	Black-legged Kittiwake	I
Sharp-shinned Hawk	R R R	Arctic Tern *	CCC
Swainson's Hawk ♦		< ALCIDS >	
Northern Goshawk	U U U	J Common Murre	
Red-tailed Hawk ♦	+ - +	Pigeon Guillemot ♦	U I -
Harlan's	+ - +	Marbled Murrelet	C C C
Golden Eagle		Kittlitz's Murrelet 💠	
Bald Eagle **		< PIGEONS AND DOVES >	
Merlin **		Rock Pigeon	I I I
American Kestrel		Band-tailed Pigeon ♦	+ + -
Gyrfalcon ♦		Mourning Dove ♦	+
Peregrine Falcon ♦		< OWL5 >	
< GROUSE >		Short-eared Owl ♦	U - +
Spruce Grouse **	CCC	Barred Owl *	R
Sooty (Blue) Grouse **		Great Horned Owl	C C C
White-tailed Ptarmigan *		Snowy Owl ♦	+
Willow Ptarmigan		J Boreal Owl ♦	I - I
Rock Ptarmigan			
< RAILS & CRANES >		Great Gray Owl ♦	
American Coot ♦		Northern Saw-whet Owl	C C R
Sandhill Crane ♦	I - I	Western Screech-Owl ♦	
< SANDPIPERS >		Northern Pygmy-Owl *	RII
Western Sandpiper ♦		Northern Hawk Owl	IIII
Pectoral Sandpiper ♦		< GOATSUCKERS >	
Semipalmated Sandpiper	20 1 20	Common Nighthawk ♦	
Least Sandpiper	0 10	< KINGFISHERS >	
Solitary Sandpiper <>	R R R	Belted Kingfisher *	C C C
Spotted Sandpiper *	C C C		
Rock Sandpiper ♦			
Upland Sandpiper ♦			
Sanderling			